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WAS MASHED TO DEATH.

Mr. Charles J. Whitlock, of Richmond, Killed at Clifton Forge.

Mr. Charles J. Whitlock, a young man, who had for the past ten years been residing in the yard of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company at Clifton Forge at 11:30 o'clock yesterday morning. His fall was the result of a very unfortunate accident. A special from the Dispatch's correspondent at that place gives the following details of the affair:

"Whitlock had been here several days, claiming that he was waiting for a job at the Rich Patch mine, and he was without funds, but managed to get something to eat. He was sober when killed."

It seems that a long string of empty cars were on a side-track. About the center of them was an opening of about six feet. Whitlock was standing between the rails in this opening, waiting for a box-car, and it appears that while in this position a shifting-engine working in the man's rear shoved the box-car upon him, catching him about the waist between the dead blocks, and crushing him to death almost instantly. Neither the railroad company nor any of the employees are to blame in the matter. Whitlock was recognized here by several railroad men.

The deceased was a son of Mrs. Mary A. Whitlock, who resides at No. 213 south Fifth street, this city, and he had two brothers here—Messrs. Robert Whitlock, who works at the Tidewater Iron Works, and Ed. Whitlock, a Chesapeake and Ohio yard-conductor.

Some years ago the deceased married Miss Mary Norton, of Richmond, who now resides in Brooklyn with her mother.

The authorities at Clifton Forge took charge of the body, and notified Mr. Whitlock's relatives in Richmond. Several letters from his mother, which were taken from the dead man's pockets, were in the possession of Mayor Smith, of Clifton Forge. They show a mother's love, and pray him to save his earnings, secure good clothing, and return to her and his home, and show to all that he would be a man worthy of esteem and respect.

Mr. Edward Whitlock, one of the brothers of the deceased, left last night for Clifton Forge, to bring the remains back to Richmond for burial. Mrs. Whitlock, the wife, will come here to attend the funeral.

BOARD OF AGRICULTURE MEETS.

To Encourage Beet Culture—Pamphlet Descriptive of Canines.

The State Board of Agriculture is holding its quarterly meeting in the State Library building. The body convened at 11 o'clock yesterday morning, and held three sessions. There were in attendance Colonel A. S. Buford, of Richmond; President W. W. Brand, of Henrico; C. E. Hine, of Fairfax; J. R. Kemper, of Augusta; R. M. Mallory, of Brunswick; Colonel Thomas Whitehead, of Richmond, Commissioner of Agriculture.

Colonel Buford presented reports on the importance of raising sugar-beets in Virginia, and then gave an extended account of the Farmers' Convention Convention, recently held at Washington. "Going back to the sugar-beet question, Mr. Hine suggested to send out a circular throughout the State, setting forth that the board would furnish the seed to any farmer who was willing to put an acre of sugar-beets in the ground."

He had no doubt that one farmer could be found in every county who was willing to make the experiment. In analyzing the contents of the beets raised in various sections, it would be an easy matter to ascertain where it would be advantageous to cultivate them.

SUGAR-BEET FACTORY.

Colonel Buford stated that there were no necessary requirements for the cultivation of sugar-beets. They should only be raised if a factory for the production of sugar was established, and in the best place, such a factory should be established in the immediate vicinity of the land where the beets were raised.

The several members of the board participated in the discussion, and the valuable information was also furnished by Mr. J. F. Jackson, of the Southern Planter, who was present.

Resolutions offered by Mr. Hine, and adopted by the board, provided that the Commissioner of Agriculture be empowered to prepare a circular as to the best mode of cultivation of the sugar-beet, and to send the same to a number of farmers in each county in the State, informing them that they should be furnished free of charge with the same, and that if the person receiving the same shall plant a sample of the same to their value in sugar.

The board appropriated \$150 to carry out these resolutions.

TO ISSUE A PAMPHLET.

The board next took up the question of issuing the long-talked-of pamphlet, containing descriptions of the counties in the State. Each member presented the data for the counties embraced in his district, and the matter was carefully read over and approved by the board. The pamphlet will be printed in the best conditions of each county, giving the various crops raised, the minerals to be found and much other valuable information. The board ordered that the pamphlet be printed in the best conditions of each county, giving the various crops raised, the minerals to be found and much other valuable information. The board ordered that the pamphlet be printed in the best conditions of each county, giving the various crops raised, the minerals to be found and much other valuable information.

THE COMMONWEALTH'S SMOKER.

A Most Enjoyable Entertainment for Club Members.

At their spacious and handsome clubhouse, on Franklin street, the members of the Commonwealth Club last night held their March smoker and enjoyed themselves in true Bohemian style. Pipes, cigars, and cigarettes were puffed vigorously and continuously during the evening. The master of the ceremonies, Mr. J. H. Ashton, presided over the punch bowl, and each member was given a sandwich served at the small tables, around which the members sat and either listened to the funny stories that were being told or told funny stories themselves.

Mr. Ashton, president of the club, presided over the gathering in the evening. The master of the ceremonies, Mr. J. H. Ashton, presided over the punch bowl, and each member was given a sandwich served at the small tables, around which the members sat and either listened to the funny stories that were being told or told funny stories themselves.

There was no set programme for the evening, but each member was made to contribute his share to the success of the smoker. Some sang who could; others whistled, and many told funny stories.

PERSONALS AND BRIEFS.

General Bradley T. Johnson is in the city.

Mr. George Pope is at the Jefferson on a short visit.

Mr. Juan A. Pizzini is confined to his room by sickness.

Senator James N. Stubbs, of Gloucester, was in the city yesterday.

The Clay-Ward Actives will hold an important meeting to-night.

Rev. Robert P. Kerr, D. D., has returned from Savannah, Ga.

Judge D. A. Hinton, of Petersburg, was a caller at the Auditor's office yesterday.

Dr. A. S. Priddy, ex-member of the House from Charlotte county, was in the city yesterday.

Rabbi Calisch will preach at Beth Ahava synagogue this morning at 10:30 o'clock, on "Biblical."

Dr. H. DeVine, of Atlanta, is in the city, visiting relatives on Church Hill.

Mr. John W. Richardson, Register of the Land-Office, has returned from a visit to his home, at Marion.

Mr. W. C. Hardy, of Lunenburg, who has been visiting friends here for two weeks, returned home yesterday.

Rev. P. R. Nugent, of Broad-Street mission, will preach at Union-Gospel Mission, corner of Eighth and Main streets, Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

"The Conversion of Saul" will be the subject of Rev. Edward L. Potts' lecture at the Y. M. C. A. this evening at 8 o'clock.

Rev. Henry R. Pollard will address Pickett Camp Monday night, taking as his subject, "Stout Hearts at Home."

The ladies and public generally are invited to attend.

President John F. Dornin, of the Virginia Association of Labor, will pay an official visit to the union labor organizations of Norfolk and Portsmouth to-day, and will be gone three days on his mission.

There will be a service of song at Soldiers' Home chapel Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, by Union-Station choir, led by Mr. R. S. M. Valentine. Preaching at 4 o'clock by Rev. George C. Vanderalde, D. D.

The meeting at Union-Station continues with unabated interest, conducted by the pastor, Rev. John C. Rosser.

There have been 135 conversions. A jubilee service will be held Sunday morning.

Messrs. Pelham Blackford, Joseph Clapp Nicholas and Wyndham Bolling have made application for membership in the Lee Camp, Sons of Veterans. Their names will be submitted at the regular weekly meeting of the camp, next Monday.

The Richmond Howitzers will give one of their popular smokers at their Armory on Thursday, March 18th, at 8:30 P. M.

Colonel Thomas Whitehead, the Commissioner of Agriculture, has returned from the Farmers' Convention, at Washington, and has made two speeches.

Colonel Whitehead made two speeches at the convention was attended by about four hundred farmers, and he was certain that there never had been a farmers' convention in the South to equal it, and he had his doubts if there ever had been one in the North.

The Epworth League of Laurel-Street Methodist church held an enthusiastic meeting in the lecture-room of the church Friday night. The reports from each department showed an increase in the work of the league.

Three vice-presidents of the League Union, third city-president of the literary work of this city and Manchester, made a very interesting and instructive address, and was heard with pleasure.

Richmonders in New York.

NEW YORK, March 12.—(Special.)—G. C. Massie, Grand; C. A. Gibson, Ho-

THE FIGHTERS GREE.

SILER'S INTERPRETATION OF THE QUEENSBERRY RULES ACCEPTED.

BOX - OFFICE TO BE LOOTED.

Alleged Plan of Robbers to Take

All the Prize-Fight Money—Es-

ported Conspiracy on the Part of

Eastern Pool-Rooms.

CARSON, NEV., March 12.—Several

knotty problems in connection with the

big fight were discussed and solved to-

day, the principal one of them being

an agreement between the fighters as to

the Queensberry rules, and Dan

Stuart's compromise with the kineto-

scope company. The principals in the

main event of the carnival eased off in

their work, and a large delegation of

sporting men from the East arrived.

Martin Julian, representing Fitzsim-

mons, and W. A. Brady, acting for Cor-

bett, met George Siler and Dan Stuart

in the latter's office this afternoon, and

took up the question of rules. Each

clasp of Siler's instructions was taken

up and worked over. The first eleven

rules of Queensberry were passed upon

without a hitch. Rule No. 12, touching

upon the London prize-rules regulations,

brought Julian to a white heat, and he

protested strongly, but ineffectually,

against Siler's judgment, which allowed

hitting in clinches with a free hand,

and also on breakaways.

"No man who has followed Fitzsim-

mons in many of his battles will admit

that this style of fighting suits him,"

asserted the stout manager. "Bob is

essentially a puncher, and not a

wrestler. At long range, he is invinc-

ible, but I will not allow him to go in any

mixed and close, he can take care of

himself. I thought this fight was the most

scientific ever fought. Now, why does

Corbett want to mix matters up so?"

Julian found nobody ready to agree

with him. Brady came to the scratch

at the outset, and informed all present

that Corbett would agree to anything

reasonable. Siler, he said, was not Cor-

bett's preference for a referee, but Jim

had faith in the gentleman's discretion

and honesty, and would not quarrel

over any ruling which was not down-

right unfair. When Julian realized that

he was alone in his opinion, he ap-

pealed to Dan Stuart for judgment,

agreeing to abide by what the big Texan

thought was right. Stuart invited Siler

into a private room, where they con-

versed for a few minutes.

"I don't know," said the promoter,

"Mr. Julian has given us his word that

he will accept my decision in this mat-

ter. I hope he knows me well enough

to believe that I would not wrong Fitz-

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EMBEZZLEMENT CONFESSED.

Indictment, a Plea of Guilty and

Sentence.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., March 12.—

Hugh Campbell, secretary and treasurer

of the Bee-Hive Savings and Loan As-

sociation, of this city, voluntarily went

before the grand jury yesterday, and con-

fessed that he had embezzled \$3 and

44 cents from the association, giving the

shareholders proper credit, but changing

the amounts on his books. The grand

jury indicted him for embezzlement.

He at once entered a plea of guilty, and

was sentenced to two years' imprisonment.

WARM WEATHER RACING.

Only Two Favorites Win at the

Crescent City.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., March 12.—Hot

weather—the thermometer at 81 degrees—

gave the race-course a summer ap-

pearance to-day. The large crowd pre-

sented a very pleasant day of it, al-

though only two favorites won. Secretary

W. W. Lister, of the new Windsor Jockey

Club, whose spring meeting begins

April 20th, got in here from Detroit this

morning. Windsor will get a good many

horses from here.

First race—six furlongs—Nicholas (97,

Combs, even) won, Helen Wren second,

Senator Morrill third. Time, 1:15.

Second race—one mile—Lupia (90,

Class, 1 to 3) won, Lillian Russell second,

John Connors third. Time, 50.

Third race—handicap, seven furlongs—